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The early records of this family in New Netherland are hidden under the patronymic of Joost Carelszen, the first ancestor in America who never used the family name. This appeared in succeeding generations first in the form of Van Sys, Seys or Seyssen. According to Louis P. de Boer in his "Pro-American Notes on Old New Netherland Families" (GMNJ 4:57,144), this was originally a Flemish family from the province of Zeeland in the Netherlands, one branch of which located in Groningen where the male line (Van Sysen) survived until 1868. However, no connection between the immigrant to this country and the Dutch family has been established.

Although Joseph (Joost) Van Sise of the third generation moved his family to Schenectady where his descendants became firmly established, the rest of the family stayed in New York City or the vicinity and were engaged generally in shipbuilding and related industries.

In the fifth generation most of the male members of the family are found around Schenectady while the few remaining in New York City split off into Bergen County of New Jersey and Oyster Bay in Queens County. The latter line is found in Queens throughout the 19th Century, but only in comparatively recent times a branch moved up the Hudson River into Dutchess County. Others undoubtedly went West, but no attempt has been made to trace them up to the present.

The Van Sises were a small family and it can be stated with some certainty that all those in America of this name of the alternative Van Cise are probably descended from the same common ancestor, particularly since historically there was practically no immigration of Hollanders to these shores between 1675 and 1848. During that period those who left their native land generally went to Dutch colonies, particularly the East Indies.

Genealogically the Van Sise family is remarkable particularly in that it has been so well recorded throughout that where are few in the first five generations who cannot be positively identified.

This work is divided into two parts: the first five generations followed by an index listing all those included therein, then a short section of those in later generations arranged alphabetically and therefore <u>not</u> included in the general index. Symbols and abbreviations throughout are those recommended by the New York Genealogical & Biographical Society.

1. JOOST CARELSZEN (VAN SYSEN), the first American ancestor of the Van Sise family, was born in Middleburg in the province of Zeeland in the Netherlands, according to his statement upon joining the New York Dutch Church, probably about 1630. As he first appeared in the New Amsterdam Court Records on Dec. 22, 1653, and fairly frequently thereafter, it is probable that he came to New Netherland not long before. According to Mr. de Boer (op. cit.) he was a ship builder in partnership with Hendrick Lambertszen Mol, and their yard was at "Smith's Valley" on the west side of the present Pearl Street between Wall St. and Franklin Square (VNY 73), which had been bought before May 17, 1661 (RNA 2:7). Valentine listed his property in 1674 as of "4th Class" and estimated his wealth at $500 (Ibid.); in the tax list of Mar. 7, 1698 his property was valued at £10 (TNYHS 2:250). Joost became a member of the New York Dutch Church on May 28, 1701, when he was recorded as being from Middleburg (GBR 25:259). He and his wife were still living in 1703, then over sixty years of age, according to the New York City census of that year. His wife, whom he probably married in Holland, was Styntje JANS of unknown parentage, and they had (all bp. New York):

o 2. Marritie, bp. 14 July 1658, sp. Egbert Woutersen, Engletje Jans, died young
3. Maria, bp. 15 Aug 1660, sp. Isaac Kip, Emmetie Cosens, m. 12 June 1678 Jacobus DE BEAVOIS
4. Saertie, bp. 5 Jan 1663, sp. Jacob de Key, Hyltie Pieters, m. 17 Dec 1684 Isaac DE MILL
5. Jannetje, bp. 16 Nov 1664, sp. Egbert & Sytie Wouters, m. (1) 4 June 1688 John PELL of London, (2) 7 Mar 1694 Isaac VREDENBURGH, (3) 28 July 1710 Pieter VAN VELSEN, widower, all in the New York Dutch Church
+ 6. CORNELIS, bp. 13 Sep 1666, sp. Jacob Abrahamszen, Engel Jans
7. Catalyn, bp. 10 Jan 1669, sp. Reymer Willemszen, Claertie Lydeckers
+ 8. JOHANNES, bp. 2 Dec 1670, sp. Charsten Luurszen, Hillegonde Verplanckes

SECOND GENERATION

6. CORNELIS JOOSTEN VAN SISE, son of Joost (#1), was baptised Sep. 16, 1666, in the New York Dutch Church. In his will, which was dated Oct. 29, 1731, but not probated until Feb. 9, 1747, he described himself as a carpenter in New York City, which at that time was also descriptive of a building contractor. The will referred to his wife, later deceased at the time of probate, children of son Joost, then deceased, and certain other children designated (*) below.

Cornelis Joosten died Oct. 25, 1733 and his wife on April 15, 1742; both are buried at the New York Dutch Church. He had married, according to baptismal records, Catherine DE HART, probably daughter of Simon Aertszen & Gertje (Cornelis-zen) De Hart. Although her baptism has not been located, this supposition is partially confirmed in the name of her second son Simon and in the De Hart sponsors listed below. They had (all bp. New York Dutch Church):

\+ 11. *JOOST, born about 1692
\+ 12. *SIMON, bp. 18 July 1694, sp. Cornelis (brother) & Annetje (sister of wife) De Hart
\+ 13. *Cornelis, bp. 15 Mar 1696, sp. Isaac Vreedenburg & wife Jannetje Joosten (#5)
o 14. JOHANNES, bp. 12 Feb 1699, sp. Johannes Joost (uncle), Clasje de Hart, j.d., died young
15. ELIAS, bp. 7 Sep 1701, sp. Elias & Dorathea Van der Hart (aunt & uncle)
16. JOHANNIS, bp. 10 Oct 1703, sp. Johannis Joost, Dorothea de Hart (aunt & uncle), who can be confused with his cousin (#22), but from the naming of the latter's children it is more likely he survived while this one probably died young
17. Catharina, bp. 5 Sep 1705, sp. Anthony Kaar & wife Antje Huyck
18. Kristina, bp. 21 Mar 1708, sp. Isaac de Mill, Judith Verwey
19. GUYSBERT, bp. 5 Sep 1712, sp. Pieter Van Velse, Antje de Hart (aunt & uncle by marriage)

8. JOHANNES JOOSTEN VAN SISE, son of Joost (#1), was baptised Dec. 2, 1670 in the New York Dutch Church. His only appearance in the records was at the baptisms of his children and as a sponsor at those of others. He last appeared as such on Nov. 30, 1718, while Judith was shown as his widow at a baptism on May 11, 1726, which indicates he died between those dates. She last appeared at a baptism on Apr. 10, 1734.[1] On July 27, 1698 he married Judith VERWEY or VAN WIE of Albany at New York RDC; she was probably the daughter of Hendrik Verwey, the only one of the name in Albany during that time. This is also confirmation for the listing of Hendrik among their children who follow:

\+ 21. JOOST, bp. New York (as were all those listed), Jan 4 1699, sp. Joost Karelse & wife Christina (grandparents)
\+ 22. JOHANNES, bp. 22 Apr 1702, sp. Cornelis Joost, Sara Jooste, sister (aunt & uncle)
\+ 23. HENDRIK (sup.), probably born 1704-08

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1. A Judith Van Syse was buried in the New York Dutch Church Nov. 29, 1757.

24. Cristina, bp. 22 Jan 1710, sp. Jan Kanon & wife Marytje Legran, nothing further, prob. d.y.
25. CORNELUS, bp. 2 Dec 1715, sp. Jacob Brat, Catharina de Hart, nothing further
26. Margrietje, bp. 30 Sep 1705, sp. Isaac de Mill, Elizabeth Retlof, m. New York 22 May 1726 John Daly
27. Maria (sup.), prob. born about 1707, m. New York 25 May 1727 Henry WILLIAMS, but had no children baptised in the New York Dutch Church.[1]

THIRD GENERATION

11. JOOST VAN SYZE, Jr., son of Cornelis Joosten (#2) was born most likely in New York City about 1692, and was named as deceased in his father's will of 1731. He had died Aug. 6, 1727 and was buried in the New York Dutch Church. From the baptismal records which follow it is known that his wife was Antje HUYSMAN, but there is some confusion in the accounts of that family[2] and her accurate identification at this time is not possible. It is evident that she was related to (possibly daughter of) Charel Huysman from the name of her second surviving son, however, there was another Antje, apparently also a daughter of Charel, the first ancestor of that family, who in 1707 married a Jan Paulsze in New York. If the two are identical[3] it is likely that Antje was a few years older than her second husband Joost. Their recorded children were: (all baptised in New York RDC)

o 31. CORNELIS, bp. 18 May 1719, sp. Cornelus & wife Tryntje Van Sise (grandparents)
32. Catharina, bp. 1 Feb 1721, sp. Cornelus & Tryntje Van Sysen
\+ 33. CORNELIS, bp. 15 Sep 1723, sp. Johannes POUWELSE,[4] Rachel Volkerts
\+ 34. CHARLES, bp. 8 Jan 1726, sp. Nicholas Burger, Maritje Schamp

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1. That being the case, it is impossible to place her definitely by the names of children. It is to be noted that there is hardly room for her in the family of Cornelis Joosten (#6) until after 1708. Possibly this Williams was of an English family and she joined another church.
2. See Dr. E. G. Van Name, the Heusman-Simonson Family of Staten Island (1955)
3. See the compiler's Vandervoort Genealogy
4. The appearance of Powelson here, if the husband of Antje Huysman, eliminates the idea of two marriages and indicates that there were two Antje Huysmans.

12. SIMON VAN SISE or SEYSEN, son of Cornelis Joosten (#6), was baptised in New York City on Jan. 18, 1694 and lived there throughout his lifetime. On Mar. 1, 1718 he married at the Dutch Church there Geertruy (from baptisms) or Catharina (marriage record), daughter of William & Elizabeth PELL, who was doubtless the Geertruy, daughter of William Pell & Elizabeth Van Thuyl baptised in New York Nov. 22, 1696. He died Oct. 8, 1756 and "the widow of Simon Van Sise" on May 1, 1760, both being buried in the New York Dutch Church. Their children were: (all baptised in New York)

41. Annatje, bp. 19 July 1738, sp. Johannes Myer, Annatje Pel, nothing further
\+ 42. WILLEM, bp. 14 Jan 1719, sp. William & Elizabeth Pel (grandparents)
43. CORNELIS, bp. 14 Dec 1720, sp. Cornelus & Catharina Van Seysen (uncle & aunt)
o 44. JOHANNES, bp. 18 Jan 1727, sp. Jan Van Deventer and Margrietje Pel, died young
o 44a. Caetje, buried RDC New York 3 Oct 1731
45. Catherine, bp. 13 Feb 1732, sp. Johannes Tiebout, Maria Blydenburg, m. New York 13 Oct 1754 Cornelius VAN WYK
46. JOHANNES, bp. 10 Apr 1734, sp. Johannes Van Seys (cousin) & Judikje, widow of Johannes Van Seys (great aunt), nothing further
47. Elizabeth, bp. 4 Dec 1723, sp. Joost Van Seys, (uncle), Elizabeth Myer, m. (prob.) Pieter HEYNST (an Elizabeth Van Sise as his wife was a sponsor in the New York RDC 2 Apr 1760)
48. Debora, bp. 29 Sep 1736, sp. Pieter de Milt, Joanna Pel, nothing further

13. CORNELIS VAN SISE or SEYSEN, son of Cornelis (#6), was baptised on Mar. 15, 1696 in New York City where he probably continued to live. His only recorded appearances are in the baptismal records given below. From these it is known that his wife was Maria BLYENBURG of unknown parentage probably from Long Island (her presumed sister, below, so said in her marriage record) and they had the following children baptised in the New York Dutch Church:

\+ 51. CORNELIS, bp. 15 July 1719, sp. Cornelus Van Sise, Sr., Geertruy Pell (grandparents)
52. JOSEPH, bp. 8 Feb 1721, sp. Simon Van Seys, Tryntje Van Seysen (uncle and aunt)
53. Catharina, bp. 19 June 1723, sp. Cornelus Van Sise, Sr., Deborah Blydenburgh (presumed aunt)

41. JOOST or JOSEPH VAN SICE, eldest son of Johannes Joosten (#8) was baptised on Jan. 4, 1699 in New York City. He was a gunsmith and armorer, and as a young man appears to have moved to Schenectady where he founded that line of the family. There is an account of Joseph Van Sice for services as a blacksmith in the Seneca Country dated Sept. 15, 1726 (CEM 499) and a commission for him to be an armorer to the Indians in the Seneca Country on Aug. 25, 1732 (Ibid. 517). On Mar. 24 of that year he witnessed the will of Cornelis van der Volgen whose widow he shortly married as his second wife. He married (1) Helena Magdelena, daughter of Jan & Geesje (Veeder) VROOMAN (born 10 Nov 1707, Vrooman Gen. 18), and they had:

\+ 61. JOHANNES, b. 16 Jan, bp. 23 Jan 1726 Schenectady, sp. Gisbert Van Brokel, Maritie Vromans (aunt and her husband)
62. Judickje, m. Henricus H. VEEDER (so listed by Pearson: First Settlers of Schenectady)

On Nov. 8, 1732 Joseph m. (2) Elisabeth, daughter of Jacobus PEEK, widow of Cornelis Van der Volgen, and had the following additional children:

\+ 65. JACOBUS, bp. Schenectady 19 Aug 1733, sp. Judith Verwey, wed: van Seisse (grandmother), Jacob Schermerhorn
\+ 66. CORNELIS, bp. Schenectady 29 Mar 1737, sp. "San.'r" and Susanna Van der Volge
67. PETRUS (listed by Pearson, op.cit.)
68. Margariet (also listed by Pearson), m. (N.Y. Lic.) 15 Sep 1759 Dr. Dirck VAN INGEN by whom she had a large family, including Joseph, Jacobus & Elizabeth which were names in her family.

22. JOHANNES VAN SEYS, son of Johannes Joosten (#8), was baptised in the New York Dutch Church on April 22, 1702. As a ship carpenter of New York City he witnessed the will of Thomas Farham, of Oswego Garrison on Apr. 18, 1757 (CWNY #1308). On Oct. 14, 1767 he and wife Maria Turck sponsored a grandson in the New York Dutch Church, while she as his widow witnessed the baptism of another grandson on Nov. 20, 1774, which indicates he died between those dates and she not long after 1774 which was her last appearance. He married (1) New York RDC Oct. 10, 1731 Engletje APPEL, which was a family only recently appearing in the New York Church records, and they had the following children all baptised in New York:

\+ 71. JOHANNES, bp. 16 Apr 1732, sp. Johannes Daily, Judith Ver Wey, wid. of Johannes Ver Wey

72. WILHEMUS, bp. 3 Mar 1734, sp. Johannes Appel, Sara Wilkes, j.d.

73. Magdelena, bp. 10 Oct 1736, sp. Pieter de Milt, Maritje Wilkesen[1], m. between 2 Feb 1766 when she appeared as an unmarried sponsor and 10 July 1768 when she bp. daughter Engletje, Ahazuerus TURCK.

74. Judickje, prob. born about 1738, m. New York 11 Nov. 1761 Jacobus BOGERT. She is assigned here since her father & stepmother sponsored her first daughter Maria, bp. 5 Dec 1764; her brother & sister Jakobus & Lena sponsored the second Maria, and Ahasuerus Turck sponsored her daughter Lena, bp. 13 Sep 1772

\+ 75. CORNELIS, bp. 17 Sep 1740, sp. Arent Bradt, Marytje Appel, j.d.

"The wife of Johannis Van Sise" was buried in the New York Dutch Church July 10, 1743, and he married (2) Maria, daughter of Paulus & Maretje (Ryerse) TURCK, bp. 10 Nov 1703 New York, by whom he had (also baptised in New York):

\+ 77. JACOBUS, bp. 21 July 1745, sp. Jacobus Turck & wife Maria Meyer (uncle & wife)

78. PAULUS, bp. 21 June 1747, sp. Willem Roome & wife Maria Turck

23. HENDRIK VAN SYS, supposed son of Johannes Joosten (#8) was probably born in New York City about 1704 to 1708. He apparently moved to Kings County and married one Antje ....., as in the following baptismal record, but nothing further is known of him. His one child:

31. Janetje, bp. New Utrecht 15 Aug 1736

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1. Wife of Johannes Appel in that record; since he appears as a sponsor of Wilhelmus above, it is possible he was a father or brother of Engltje.

FOURTH GENERATION

33. CORNELIUS VAN SISE, son of Joost (#11), was baptised in the New York Dutch Church on Sept. 15, 1723 and apparently continued to live there throughout his life. However, little is known of him aside from the baptismal records given below, particularly since he cannot be found as a sponsor for any other baptisms. From these records it is known that his wife was Metje THOMASSE, possibly a daughter of John Thomas or Thomson & Anna Cannon who had other children baptised during the probable time of her birth. Their children baptised in New York were:

101. Antje, bp. 13 Mar 1751, sp. Jan Eawets, Maria Huyseman (probably an aunt of Cornelius)
102. Mettje, bp. 23 July 1755, sp. Tobias Van Zandt, Annatje Provoost, h.v.v. George Doll[1]

34. CHARLES VAN SCICE, son of Joost (#11), was baptised on Jan. 8, 1726 in the New York Dutch Church, but he appears to have moved to Staten Island. His wife in the baptismal records of the children below was Catherine ..... possibly DE HART from the middle name of the daughter, but her baptism under that name cannot be located either on the island or New York. They had the following children baptised at St. Andrew's Church, Staten Island (no date given but probably baptised together) listed in the following order:

111. JOSEPH, born 2 Apr 1755[2]
112. Sarah Dehart, born 1 Apr 1760
113. CHARLES, born 14 Aug 1757 (all together between other children born Aug. 8 & Sept. 13, 1760)

42. WILLIAM VAN SEYSSEN, son of Simon (#12), was baptised in the New York Dutch Church on Jan. 14, 1719. His wife was Maria DE LA MONTAGNE, who was possibly the daughter of that name of Jacobus & Ariantje (Durfoir) De La Montagne baptised in New York Jan. 5, 1724, and who was buried as wife of William in the New York Dutch Church on Feb. 4, 1754. She was the only Maria found in that family born about the right time. Her early death could account for their having but the one child:

116. Maria, bp. New York 30 Nov 1748, sp. Joseph de la Montagne, Geertje Jeets, wid. of Jesse de la Montagne

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1. This was probably a daughter of Ariantje Paulesze, in turn daughter of Antje Huyseman (see p. 4) who m. Robert Provost (Provost Family Record, p. 109)
2. He and brother both were on Staten Island, Census of 1790, with their families but nothing further is known of them.

51. CORNELIUS VAN SISE, son of Cornelius (#13), was baptised in the New York Dutch Church on July 15, 1719. There can be some confusion between this Cornelius and his cousin of the same name (#33); the latter, however, named his first daughter Antje after his mother, while this one named his presumed first daughter Polly (nickname for Mary) after his mother Maria Blyenburg. He, together with another cousin named Cornelius (#75) moved about the same time to Oyster Bay where they located on farms near one another (see Chapman: History of Queens County, 1896, p. 361). In his will dated May 12, 1791, he named the children designated (*) below and James, son of his daughter Charity. Since the will was not probated until Sept. 1, 1800 (Queens, B:9), he probably died in that year. The name of his wife is unknown but his children were:

\+ 126. *CHARLES, m. Neeltje STILWELL, sister of John below
127. *CORNELIUS
128. *Polly
129. *Charity, m. John STILLWELL, bp. 3 Oct 1762 (see the Stilwell Genealogy, IV,178)
130. *Letty

61. JOHANNES VAN SEYSSEN or SICE, son of Joseph (#21), was baptised in the Dutch Church at Schenectady on Jan. 23, 1726 (born Jan. 16). Like his father he was also a gunsmith. On Mar. 11, 1748 he married Margarita, bp. Albany Jan. 21, 1748, daughter of Johannes & Rebecca (Van Antwerp) FORT of Niskayuna, by whom he had: (all bp. Schenectady)

136. Magdalena, bp. 29 Oct 1749, sp. Johannes Jacobus Vroman, Judith van Tice, m. Alex. CAMPBELL
137. Elisabeth, bp. 20 Apr 1753, sp. Johannes and Anna Fort
\+ 138. JOSEPH, bp. 29 June 1755, sp. Henricus H. & Judickje Veder
139. Rebecca, bp. 6 Nov 1757, sp. Cornelius Veder, Rebecca Van der Volgen
140. JOHANNES, bp. 19 Aug 1759, sp. Gerrit G. & Maria Van Vranke
\+ 141. CORNELIS, bp. 1 Nov 1761, sp. Dirck & Margarita Van Ingen
\+ 142. ABRAHAM, bp. 27 Nov 1763, sp. Daniel Fort & Rebecca Van der Volgen
\+ 143. SIMON, bp. 1 Sep 1765, sp. Jacob S. Vroman, Magdalena Van Sice
144. Maria, bp. 18 Oct 1767, died young
145. Maria, bp. 1 Jan 1769, sp. Isaac & Dorothea Vrooman, m. Willem PEMBERTON
146. DANIEL, bp. 18 Aug 1771, sp. Johannes Fort, Jr. and Maria Hasford

There are two petitions for land grants which probably pertain to this John Van Sice, inasmuch as the others associated with him also appear to have been from upstate New York: (1) On Jan. 16, 1762 Harmanus Brat, Christopher Yates and John Van Sice, Jr., asked for license to purchase 3,000 acres in three tracts in Albany County, all on the west side of the Hudson; one on both sides of Kattskill Brook; second north of Batavia, and the third between Kattskill and the mountains. (2) On Sept. 6, 1764 Isaac Vrooman, John Van Sice and 24 others asked for a grant of 1,000 acres in Albany County 20 miles east of the Hudson on both sides of Batten Kill, and that the same be erected into a township.(Land Grants, New York, 312,358).

65. JACOBUS VAN SEYSSEN, son of Joseph (#21), was baptised on Aug. 19, 1733 in the Schenectady Dutch Church. On July 16, 1757 at Schenectady he married Sarah (bp. June 9, 1734, Schenectady), daughter of Gysbert & Elizabeth (Van Antwerp) MARSELIS of Sbhenectady. Although he was not listed in the Consus of 1790, he and his wife are last recorded as witnesses at the baptism of a grandson in Schenectady on Nov. 8, 1792. They had the following children, all baptised at Schenectady:

o 149. Joseph, bp. June 18, 1758, d. young
o 150. Joseph, bp. May 24, 1759, d. young
151. Elisabeth, bp. 9 Nov 1760, sp. Dirck & Margarita Van Ingen, m. (N.J. Lic.) 16 Oct 1783 Giles MEAD, of Bergen County
\+ 152. GYSBERT, bp. 17 Oct 1762, sp. Arent & Rebecca Marselis
153. Margarita, bp. 7 Oct 1764, sp. Dirk & Margarita Van Ingen
154. Catarina, bp. 7 Dec 1766, d. young
\+ 155. JOSEPH, bp. 9 Oct 1768, sp. Cornelis & Maria Van Seysen (uncle & aunt)
156. Catarina, bp. 6 Sep 1770, sp. Jilles S. B. Van Vorst, Annatje Van Vorst, m. (poss.) John HICKSON.[1]
\+ 157. JACOBUS, bp. 3 Oct 1772, sp. Jacobus & Rebecca Peek
158. AHASUERUS, bp. 5 Feb 1775, sp. Ahasuerus & Hester Marselis; d. 8 Oct 1852 (Pearsen, op.cit.)

66. CORNELIUS VAN SEYS, son of Joseph (#21), was baptised in the Schenectady Dutch Church on March 29, 1737. His last recorded appearance found was with one Annatje Van Seysen as sponsors at the baptism on Mar. 4, 1782, in Schenectday, of his granddaughter Rebecca, child of William

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1. It is hardly possible to distinguish between her and her cousin (#164) since the sponsors of her first child were Joseph, Jr. & Elizabeth Van Syce, names appearing in both families, but Jacobus alone was sponsor for her second.

Gordon and his daughter Elisabeth. On Oct. 20, 1750 at the Schraalenburgh (N.J.) Dutch Church he married Maria, daughter of Alexander & Margaret (Van de Bogart) VEDDER, baptised in Schenectady on Aug. 14, 1743, and of that place. Their children, all baptised at Schenectady, were:

161. Elisabeth, bp. 9 Aug 1760, sp. Simon H. Veder, Margaret Van Ingen, m. William GORDON
162. Annatje, bp. 26 Sep 1762, sp. Johannes H. & Anatje Veder
163. Margarita, bp. 9 Dec 1764, sp. Johannes & Margarita Van Seysen (uncle & aunt)
164. Catarina, bp. 27 Sep 1767, sp. Jacobus Van Eps, Helena Teller (see also #156)
165. ALEXANDER, bp. 6 Dec 1772, sp. Johannes & Debora Sanders
166. JOSEPH, bp. 23 July 1775, sp. Jacobus & Sarah Van Seysen (uncle & aunt)

71. JOHN VAN SISE, son of Johannes (#22), was baptised in New York on April 16, 1732. Other than the fact that on July 10, 1760, he married (N.Y. Lic.) Elizabeth CLEMENT, parentage unidentified, nothing further is known of him.

75. CORNELIUS VAN SICE or SYST, son of Johannes (#22), was baptised in the Dutch Church of New York on April 16, 1732. In the Census of 1790 he appeared in Oyster Bay, Queens County, having two sons over 16, one under 16, wife and two daughters, the last of whom do not appear in the listing below. On May 2, 1763 he married (N.Y. Lic.) one Francyntje BLOM, of unknown parentage but probably of the Jamaica family. Since they do not appear in Oyster Bay in the Census of 1800, they probably died during the preceding decade. Children baptised in New York were:

171. JOHANNES, bp. 2 Feb 1766, sp. Jakobus Van Sise, Magdalena Van Sise, j.d. (uncle & aunt)
172. Cornelis, bp. 5 June 1768, sp. Ahasuerus Turck, Judik Van Syst, h.v.v. Jakobus Bogert (aunt & husband of aunt)
173. CORNELIS, bp. 5 Aug 1770, sp. Jakobus Bogert, Elizabet Gerbrands, h.v.v. Jakobus Van Syst (husband of aunt & wife of uncle)
174. DANIEL BLOM, bp. 21 Feb. 1773, sp. (same as #172)
175. .....
176. .....

77. JACOBUS VAN SYST, son of Johannes (#22), was baptised in the New York Dutch Church on July 21, 1745. It is possible that he moved to Staten Island since a Jacobus Van Sile appears in Southfield there in the Census of 1790 (having 2 sons under 16, wife & daughter), although the census data do not quite fit and there is no other indication of him there. He obtained a N.Y. license July 9, and on July 10, 1766 in the New York Dutch Church married Elisabet, daughter of Marcellus & Geertruy (Van Dolsen) GERREBRANDS, who had been baptised in New York on Sept. 7, 1746, and they had the following children baptised in New York:

\+ 176. JOHANNES, bp. 14 Oct 1767, sp. Johannes Van Seys & wife Maria Turck (grandparents)

177. Hilletje, bp. 22 July 1769, sp. John W^{6}. Bogert, Geertruit, H. van Marcelus Gerrebrands (husband of aunt & grandmother), m. (N.J. Lic.) Abraham BANTA

178. MARCELIS, bp. 30 Aug 1772, sp. Jakobus Bogert Jans^{z}, Judik Van Syst, s.h. (aunt & her husband)

179. Maria, bp. 20 Nov 1774 (twin with Michel), sp. Jakobus Turck, Maria Turk, h.v. Joh^{5} Van Syse; Willem Chardovyne

180. MICHEL, bp. same as twin Maria above

181. Geertje (sup.) or possibly Geertruy, named for her maternal grandmother; a Geertje Van Sys & husband Nicholas DeGroot were sponsors at the baptism of a daughter of her brother John at Schraalenburgh in 1794.

FIFTH GENERATION

126. CHARLES VAN SISE, son of Cornelius (#51), possibly was born in Gravesend where his family seemed to have some associations, but more likely in New York City probably about 1760 although no baptismal record has been found. In the Chapman History of Queens County (p. 361) there is an account of this line of the family which states Charles and his cousin Cornelius (#75) settled in Oyster Bay on nearby farms which had then been in the family 180 years (as of 1896). It is obvious, however, that they had not been occupied by the family that long. It further states that the two cousins were from Holland which is a common error found in accounts of other New Netherland families. Family tradition correctly harks back to that country as its origin, but later generations, unless they have studied the genealogy, are prone to believe the date of immigration much later than it was. Charles was listed in the censuses of both 1790 and 1800 as of Oyster Bay; in the first he only had a daughter while in the latter he was shown with a son 16-26 (error for 10-16?), two sons under 10, daughter 10-16, three daughters under 10; he was over 45 (if correct he was then born prior to 1755) and his wife was aged 26-45 (GER 54:351). On Dec. 8, 1788 he married at Gravesend (Flatbush RDC record) Neeltje, daughter of Jeremiah & Ann (Buyse) STILWELL of Gravesend. His will was dated Oct. 19, 1815, probated April 8, 1816 (Queens C:511) and in it he named wife Eleanor and children designated (*) below, Cornelius and James being minors:

201. *Maria, born about 1789, m. *Cornelius LOWELL
202. *JEREMIAH, born about 1791
203. *CHARLES, bp. Oyster Bay 7 July 1793, m. Dorothy MITCHELL
204. *Ann, bp. Oyster Bay 24 May 1795, m. *Valentine HENDRICKSON
205. *Eleanor
206. *Sarah A., m. Thomas *VELSOR
207. Gretchen, m. Daniel VELSOR (Chapman, op.cit., only)
208. *CORNELIUS m. Rebecca PLATT) (minors in 1815; order
209. *JAMES m. Otimey KETCHAM) (last five uncertain

138. JOSEPH VAN SICE, son of Johannes (#61), was baptised at Schenectady on June 29, 1755. He was most likely the Joseph who served as a Private in the 3rd Regiment, New York State Militia (NYR 46) and also the 15th Regiment of Albany County Militia during the Revolution (NYR 130). From the baptismal record of his only recorded child it is known that his wife was Elisabeth KRANKHEYT.

211. JOHANNES, b. 17 Jan, bp. 16 Apr Schenectady, sp. Joh^{s} Van Sise (grandfather) & Lena Van Antwerp

141. CORNELIUS VAN SICE, son of Johannes (#61), was baptised Nov. 1, 1761, in the Schenectady Dutch Church. He lived there and later at Hellenbergh. On Dec. 16, 1787 he married Deborah, daughter of Samuel & Dina (Hagedorn) MURRAY of Hellenbergh, who had been baptised at the RDC Schenectady on Aug. 31, 1766. They had the following children also baptised at Schenectady:

221. SIMON, b. 16 May, bp. 3 July 1791, sp. Simon and Anatje Van Syce (uncle & wife)
222. Margarita, b. 25 Dec 1793, bp. 19 Jan 1794, sp. John Van Syce, Elizabeth Van Syce Truex (uncle & probably aunt)
223. SAMUEL, b. 22 Nov, bp. 15 Jan 1797, sp. Royer & Catharina Murry
224. ABRAM, born 2 Sep 1799
225. Annatje, born 3 Feb 1803[1]

142. ABRAHAM VAN SICE, son of Johannes (#61), was baptised in the Schenectady Reformed Church on Nov. 27, 1763. He married Maria SMITH whose parentage is unknown (there are several Smith families listed in Pearson but none seem to fit as to names or dates). Their children were:

231. JOHANNES, b. 1 July, bp. 11 Sep 1790, sp. Johannes & Elisabeth Van Syce (uncle & aunt)
232. Margarieta, b. 10 Feb, bp. 2 Mar 1794, sp. Simon & Maria Van Syce (uncle & aunt)
233. CHRISTIAN, b. 18 May, bp. 2 Sep 1798, sp. none
234. HENDRIK, born 1 Feb 1803[1]

143. SIMON VAN SICE, son of Johannes (#61), baptised at Schenectady on Sept. 1, 1765, seems to have been the only one of the brothers listed in the Census of 1790 in New York State. He is shown in that in Schenectady, South of the Mowhawk, with son or brother over 16, wife & daughter. On March 15, 1789 he married at Schenectady Annatje or Hannah, daughter of Teunis & Jacomyntje (Van Voost) BARHEYT of Remsen Bos who had been baptised in Schenectady on May 8, 1768. Their children, all baptised at Schenectady, were:

241. Margarieta, b. 18 Feb, bp. 21 Feb 1790, sp. John & Elizabeth Van Syse (uncle & aunt)
242. TEUNIS, b. 9 Jan, bp. 22 Jan 1792, sp. Peter White and Elizabeth Barheit
243. Jacomyntje, b. 9 Nov, bp. 24 Nov. 1793, sp. Abram and Marytje Van Syce (uncle & wife)

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1. No sponsors are given for baptisms after 1799 since the Holland Society transcript ends there; dates after that are all from Pearson, op.cit.

244. Magdalena, b. 15 Nov, bp. 27 Nov 1796, sp. John Van Syce (uncle), Esther Mallet
245. Annatje, b. 15 Apr, bp. 2 Sep 1798, sp. Annatje Van Vorst (great aunt)
246. Elisabeth, born 25 Dec 1800

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152. GILBERT or GYSBERT VAN SICE, son of Jacobus (#65), was baptised in Schenectady on Oct. 17, 1762. As Gilbert Van Size he served in the 3rd Company, 4th Regiment, Continental Line of New York, which he joined May 1, 1779 and from which he was discharged Jan. 1, 1780 (CDNY 15:213). On Oct. 22, 1786 he married Barbara FYLES of Montgomery County, whose parentage is unknown, and had:

251. Sarah, b. 17 Sep, bp. 23 Sep 1787 Schenectady, sp. Jacobus Van Syce & Sarah Marselis (grandparents)

From the following baptismal records it is known that Gilbert married (2) Sarah, daughter of Abraham & Anna (Mebie) Van Antwerp and had two other children baptised at Schenectady:

256. JAMES, b. 21 Aug, bp. 10 Sep 1797, sp. none
247. Annatje, born 7 June 1800

153. JOSEPH VAN SICE, son of Jacobus (#65), was baptised in Schenectady on Oct. 9, 1768. In the baptism of Jacobus below, he was listed as "Joseph J. Van Syce". In the following records his wife was Sarah HUGHS of whom nothing more is known. Children baptised at Schenectady:

o 261. Jacobus, b. 8 Nov, bp. 2 Dec 1792, sp. Jacobus Van Syce & Sarah Marselis (grandparents), died Sept. 13, 1794
262. Rebecca, b. 18 Sep, bp. 19 Oct 1794, sp. none
263. JACOBUS, b. 6 Sep, bp. 9 Oct 1796, sp. none
264. Maria, b. 28 Apr, bp. 3 June 1798, sp. Maria Marselis
265. JOHN POST, b. 25 July 1800

157. JACOBUS VAN SICE, son of Jacobus (#65), was baptised at Schenectady on Oct. 3, 1772 and died there on Nov. 4, 1841 (Pearson, op.cit.). He married Elisabeth, daughter of Dirck & Ariantje (Wemple) GROOT who was baptised also in Schenectady on Apr. 23, 1775. Their children, presumably all born in Schenectady, were:

271. Sarah, b. 6 Aug, bp. 25 Aug 1799, sp. Catharina Van Syce (aunt)
272. Ariantje, b. 25 Dec 1801
273. Catherine, b. 19 Feb 1804

274. DERICK, b. 23 Oct 1805
275. JAMES, b. 29 Aug 1809
276. ANDREW GROOT, b. 9 Oct 1811
277. CORNELIUS, b. 26 Dec 1814
278. GILBERT, b. 8 Dec 1816
279. JOHN OGDEN, b. 6 May 1820

173. CORNELIUS VAN SISE, son of Cornelius (#75), was baptised in the Dutch Church of New York on Aug. 5, 1770. He moved about the same time as his cousin Charles (#126) to Oyster Bay and settled on a farm nearby. He was listed there in the Census of 1800 with wife also aged 26-45 and two sons and a daughter under 10 years of age. In his will which was dated Dec. 19, 1840, probated Feb. 3, 1852 (Queens 5:379) he named wife and children (*): Israel & Cornelius Van Sise 3rd, and sons of his deceased son Cornelius. His wife was Rhoda* VALENTINE, but her parentage is unknown.

301. *CORNELIUS, bp. 7 July 1793 Oyster Bay, m. Sarah ....., dead in 1840
    i. *ISRAEL ii. *CORNELIUS 3rd
302. *EVERT, m. Dorothy VAN OSTRAND
303. *ROBERT, m. Martha VAN OSTRAND

176. JOHN VAN SISE, son of Jacobus (#77), was baptised Oct. 14, 1767 in the New York Dutch Church. Presumably while a young man he moved to Bergen County, N.J., which is doubtless where he met his wife Maria DEMAREST. She cannot be found in the genealogy of that family, but the sponsors of her second child suggest that their names may have been Jan and Antje, but that couple likewise cannot be positively identified in the Demarest family. Their children were:

311. JACOBUS, b. 12 Mar, bp. 1 Apr 1787 Schraalenburgh, sp. Abraham Banta, Hyle van Syse (aunt & husband)
312. JOHN, bp. 22 Mar 1789 Schraalenburgh, sp. Jan and Antie Demarest
313. Elizabeth, b. 15 Oct, bp. 9 Nov 1794, sp. Nicholas DeGroot & wife Geertje Van Sys (possibly unlisted aunt & husband)

UNIDENTIFIED VAN SICES

ELIZABETH Van Syst & Luke MATTHEMAN bp. daughter Catharina RDC New York 25 Dec 1774, sp. Michael Van Syst, Catharina Star, h.v.v. Luke Mattheman (mother of Luke who had been bp. New York 23 May 1753). This was her only child bp. in New York and there is no other clue as to her identity.

ELIZABETH Van Syce Truex sp. Margarita, daughter of Cornelius Van Sice (#141), 19 Jan 1794, but she is not named in the Truex Genealogy (GBR Vols. 58 & 59). This is probably Elizabeth, #137, sister of Cornelius.

MICHAEL Van Syst, sponsor of the child of Elizabeth (above) & Luke Mattheman, was probably her brother, but as he has not been located elsewhere in the records he is likewise unidentified at present.

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Blyenburg, Maria	13	Cornelius
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Campbell, Alexander		Madelena
Clement, Elizabeth	71	Johannes
Daly, John	26	Margrieta
De Bevoise, Jacobus	3	Maria
De Groot, Nicholas	U	Geertje
De Hart, Catherine	6	Cornelius
De La Montagne, Maria	42	Willem
Demarest, Maria	176	Johannes
De Mill, Isaac	4	Saertje
Fell (Pell), John	5	Jannetje
Fort, Margarita	61	Johannes
Fyles, Barbara	150	Guysbert
Gerrebrande, Elizabeth	77	Jacobus
Gordon, William	161	Elizabeth
Hendrickson, Valentine	208	Ann
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Huysman, Antje	11	Joost
Jans, Styntje	1	Joost Carelszen
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Van Ostrand, Dorothy	302	Evert
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Van Wie, Judith	8	Johannes
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LATER GENERATIONS

Listed Alphabetically;
NOT INCLUDED in Index

son of Teunis (#242)
EBENEZER HEBBARD VAN SICE, born Johnstown, N.Y., on Jan. 10, 1822; m. Mary Elizabeth BALDWIN, was father of

i. HEBBARD KIMBALL, living Utica 1896

302. EVERETT VAN SISE, born Oyster Bay, N.Y., about 1795-1800, m. Dorothy VAN NOSTRAND, dau. of Peter & Martha (Van Cott) Van Nostrand of Huntington, was father of:

i. JAMES, born 1820 in Suffolk County

GEORGE ANSON VAN SISE, son of James, born Brooklyn, N.Y., Dec. 22, 1851, m. Phebe POWELL, was father of:

i. WILBUR T., b. Oct. 22, 1890 Queens County, living now in Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

JAMES VAN SISE, born 1820 in Suffolk County, N.Y., m. Ruth POWELL, and was father of:

i. GEORGE ANSON, b. Brooklyn Dec. 22, 1851

ISRAEL W. VAN SISE, son of Jeremiah, was born Sep. 2, 1829, and settled on the family homestead in Queens County. He was a member of the Woodbury ME Church. He m. (1) Apr. 25, 1849 Hannah M., dau. of Henry BLACHLEY, who d. Aug. 25, 1887; m. (2) Feb. 19, 1890 Elizabeth A., dau. of Daniel SMITH of Suffolk County. By his 1st wife he had:

i. JEREMIAH, of Oyster Bay
ii. CLARENCE S., of Woodbury
iii. Caroline M., m. Dr. I. C. BARNHART of Brooklyn
iv. EDWARD H., of Oyster Bay
v. Hannah M., m. Daniel S. WHITNEY

202. JEREMIAH VAN SISE, son of Charles (#126), born about 1791 prob. at Oyster Bay, was a Long Island truck farmer (Chapman: Rec. of Queens Co., 361). His will, dd. Nov. 9, 1863, pr. Mar. 15, 1864 (Queens 11:369), named children (*), grd.chil. Mary E., w. of Oliver SMITH, only child of decd. dau. Mary I. BROWN; grd.sons JEREMIAH, son of Israel W. Van Sise; Jeremiah TITUS, son of Samuel. He had m. Maria WHITE and had:

i. *ISRAEL W., b. Sep. 2, 1849 (subject of Chapman's article above)
ii. *Iantha, m. D. P. BROWN ("Mary I. Brown, decd.")
iii. *Sarah A., m. (1) Jacob BUNSTEAD, (2) *John POWELL
iv. *Emeline, m. *Jesse WHITNEY
v. *Edna, widow of *Almont ROGERS
vi. *Susan E., m. *Samuel TITUS
vii. *Margaret E., m. (after will) Henry OAKLEY
viii. *CHARLES A., m. (1) Amelia WHITNEY, (2) Eliz. VAN COTT

242. TEUNIS VAN SICE, son of Simon (#143), was born in Johnstown, N.Y., Jan. 9, baptised in Schenectady Jan. 22, 1792. He m. Eunice HEBBARD and was father of:

i. Ebenezer Hebbard, born Johnstown Jan. 10, 1822

303 ROBERT VAN SISE, was son of Cornelius (#173) and was probably born in Oyster Bay about 1795-1800. He m. Martha, dau. of Peter & Martha (Van Cott) VAN NOSTRAND and was the father of:

i. James, born Suffolk County 1820

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BOOK REVIEWS

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The compiler of these records on some twelve early families in New York State, is the Executive Secretary of the Holland Society of New York and instead of incorporating them in manuscript form to be filed in various libraries he has chosen to commit them to the newer medium of microfilm. In selecting the particular families recorded he has been guided by certain definite premises. Some were of interest because of his personal descent from them; others because they were difficult to separate from one another due to similarity of name; and thirdly, because, with one exception, the Van Doorns, no genealogy of the family had been published. The latter was *The Van Doorn Family in Holland and America* by H. Van Doren Honeyman. From it he has taken the line of Cornelius of Monmouth, whose origin Honeyman could not place, and carried it back to the pioneer Claes Diedlofszen Doorn who arrived at New Amsterdam in the 1660's. Some of the remaining families are those noted below.

The Van de Water and Van Sise families have been expanded to five generations during which period they remainded largely in New York State. The former, like the Van der Hoefs, which are also given here, had in common the fact that they were founded by brothers who had been brought to this country by a widowed mother. Jan Janszen Fyn, progenitor of the Dutch Fines, who was of Newtown, L. I., in 1666, is shown to have had no apparent connection with Peter Stuyvesant's Capt. Francois Fyn of Blackwell's Island. N. Y.

Among other families in Kings County (now Brooklyn) included here, the English Griggs of Gravesend settled there in 1669, but like several others they became almost entirely Dutch through intermarriage. Here the problem was complicated by having others of the same name scattered along the Atlantic seaboard. The Van Cleefs had two Johns telescoped into one. This was a large family which became strong in central New Jersey but it had one line which developed the pioneer spirit early and moved to Kentucky at the time of Daniel Boone.

Probably the most surprising discovery was that the first Michael Pauluszen Van der Voort, who was in New Amsterdam in 1640, late in life moved with his youngest son (previously considered to have died young) to Queen Anne's County, Maryland, and there founded the Vanderford family. This is one of the few instances of a translated name, albeit only the latter half in this case.

The DeGraff-DeGraw-DeGrove group, as presently determined, actually comprises four different families. DeGraff is the Dutch translation of the French LeConte, both meaning the count; the Dutchess County, N. Y., family was founded by Jean LeConte who arrived in New Orange in 1674. No relationship between him and the Schenectady, N. Y., DeGraffs, whose progenitor Claes Andriesse first a.peared in 1688, has been found. Descendants of Leendert Arentszen DeGrauw, who was in New Amsterdam in 1638, went early to Bergen County, N. J., except for one line which returned to Manhattan. In the Federal Census of 1790 members of this family were almost hopelessly confused with the DeGroves who stemmed from Adolph Pieterszen DeGroeft who was first of record here in 1657. After the Revolution some of his DeGrove descendants became involved in a suit to regain some confiscated Wall Street property, an account of which appeared in Vols. 37 and 47 of The Record.

In outlining the early generations of the particular families here presented, the compiler has made an essential contribution to our knowledge of some of the well-known, but genealogically hitherto untraced, Dutch families of the Empire State.

J. Crawford Hartman.

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